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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CAL.

Week ended February 20.

Dead inspected.....	1
Plague.....	0
Ground squirrels trapped.....	15
Ground squirrels examined bacteriologically.....	15
Plague ground squirrels.....	0
Rabbits trapped.....	1
Rabbits examined bacteriologically.....	1
Plague rabbits.....	0
Ranches inspected.....	42
Ranches poisoning squirrels.....	39
Ranches found free of squirrels.....	3

Report from Los Angeles, Cal.—Examination of animals for plague infection.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Stimson, plague laboratory, reports, February 26:

Animals examined in the laboratory in this city from February 15 to 21, inclusive:

Ground squirrels.....	55
Gray rats.....	432
Black rats.....	31
White rats.....	6

None of these animals was found to be infected with plague.

Report from Seattle, Wash.—Plague-prevention work.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Glover reports, February 23:

SEATTLE, WASH.

Date of finding of last plague rat, September 26, 1908.

Week ended February 20, 1909.

Plague-infected rats to date.....	21
Rats received.....	772
Rats necropsied.....	726
Plague rats.....	0
Vessels inspected.....	14
Vessels fumigated.....	2

Report from New York, N. Y.—Beriberi on ship King George.

Surgeon Bailhache reports, March 1:

The captain and 6 of the crew of the ship *King George* were admitted to this hospital February 28 suffering with beriberi and are in a very serious condition. The ship has been 134 days at sea and lost 1 man, who was suffering with the same disease, en route to this port.

The ship *King George* left Hongkong October 16.